

REMARKS

I. Claims Herein Cancelled in Response to Examiner Will Be Pursued in their Original Forms in Subsequently Filed Continuation Application; No Waiver is Intended, and All Legal/Factual Rights and/or Positions are Reserved

The Applicant Entity (hereinafter "Applicant") has herein cancelled several claims in reliance upon Examiner's Office Action. As explained herein, Applicant does not consider the art of record to render the previously unamended/uncancelled claims objectionable and/or unpatentable, and intends to address such claims in a separately filed continuation case. Accordingly, Applicant considers all cancellations herein to be tangential to patentability.

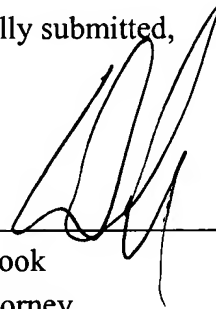
Insofar as that the Applicant has herein cancelled claims in reliance upon Examiner's Office Action, Applicant has not herein explicitly addressed the rejections and/or statements in Examiner's Office Action. The fact that the rejections and/or statements are not herein explicitly addressed should NOT be taken as an admission of any sort, and Applicant hereby reserves any and all rights to contest such rejections and/or statements at a later time. Specifically, no waiver (legal, factual, or otherwise), implicit or explicit, is hereby intended (e.g., with respect to those facts of which Examiner might have taken Official Notice Applicant hereby contests those facts and requests express documentary proof of such facts at such time at which such facts may become relevant).

Applicant intends to file a continuation application having substantially the previously unamended/uncancelled claims in that Applicant does not consider the art of record to render such claims objectionable and/or unpatentable. Overall, the cited references do not singly, or in any motivated combination and/or modification, teach or suggest the claimed features of the aspects recited in the previously unamended/uncancelled claims. If the undersigned attorney has overlooked a relevant teaching in any of the references, the Examiner is requested to point out specifically

where such teaching may be found. Furthermore, although not expressly set forth herein, Applicant continues to assert all points of any previous Office Action, and no waiver (legal, factual, or otherwise), implicit or explicit, is hereby intended.

The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned by telephone (425-467-2260) to discuss the above and any other distinctions between the claims and the applied references, if desired. If the Examiner notes any informalities in the claims, he is encouraged to contact the undersigned by telephone to expediently correct such informalities.

Respectfully submitted,



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